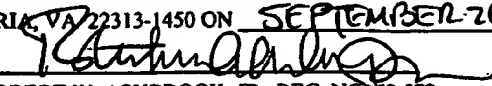




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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND
NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT AMENDMENT**

Sir:

This Response to Restriction Requirement and Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (hereinafter referred to as "Response") is responsive to the Office Communications mailed on June 10, 2004 and May 26, 2005. Applicant respectfully requests entry of this Response.

This Response is believed timely filed, based upon payment for a three month extension of time.¹ Should this Response not be considered timely filed, Applicant hereby requests a retroactive extension of time to file for the number of months required to maintain pendency of the Application.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required by this paper to Deposit Account No. 50-2778.

¹ If an Extension of Time is deemed necessary, please consider this paper a Petition for such an Extension.

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